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Todd Parfitt, Director

August 20, 2014

Mr. Jonathan B. Ratner, Director Wyoming Office Western Watersheds Project PO BOX 1160 Pinedale, WY 82941

Re: Categorical redesignation of streams in Wyoming from primary contact to secondary contact recreation

Dear Mr. Ratner,

Thank you for your comments on the proposed redesignations of streams based on the Water Quality Division's Categorical Use Attainability Analysis for Recreation. The administrator has reviewed all the comments and made a final determination on the redesignations. The administrator's determination dated August 20, 2014, the revised Categorical UAA for Recreation and Response to Comments for the Comment Period Ending March 14, 2014 can be found at the following website: http://deq.state.wy.us/wqd/watershed/surfacestandards/.

The decisions are considered a final action of the Administrator of the Water Quality Division and may be appealed within 60 days to the Wyoming Environmental Quality Council pursuant to Section 16 of Chapter 1 of Wyoming DEQ's Rules of Practice and Procedure; Wyoming Statute 35-11-112(a)(iii); and Section 34(a) of Chapter 1, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations. The redesignations will be submitted to EPA for approval as revised water quality standards for Clean Water Act purposes. If you have any questions regarding the designated use changes, please contact Lindsay Patterson on my staff at 307-777-7079 or Lindsay.Patterson@wyo.gov.

Sincerely,

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